



"For a Euro-Mediterranean Community of International Arbitration", 8 December 2014, Marseille, France.

On 8 December 2014, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the French Inter-ministerial Delegation for the Mediterranean organised an international conference on "For a Euro-Mediterranean Community of International Arbitration" in the impressive Villa Méditerranée in Marseille, France.

After an inaugural session in which the current work of the UNCITRAL in the field of International Commercial Arbitration was explained by Renaud SORIEUL, UNCITRAL's Secretary, Philippe Leboulanger, Vice-Chairman of CRCICA Advisory Committee and member of CRCICA Board of Trustees, tackled the development of Euro-Mediterranean relations in the field of international commercial arbitration and investment. The new UNCITRAL Guide on the New York Convention of 1958 was also explained.

CRCICA Director addressed the "Issues and Challenges of Investment Arbitration: An Arab Perspective", where he explained the salient differences between commercial and investment arbitrations, investment arbitration in the Arab World with special emphasis on the Egyptian Experience as well as the CRCICA caseload, the impact of using the UNCITRAL Rules on the settlement of investment disputes, in addition to the salient jurisdictional and substantive issues and challenges of Arab ISDS.

At the same panel, Mr. Rinaldo Sali, Vice Secretary General of the Milan Chamber of Arbitration, explained the activities of ISPRAMED, while Ms Rabab Yasseen, Member of CRCICA Advisory Committee, tackled the issues and challenges of investment arbitration from a practitioner's perspective.